from them. The Police are conducting necessary investigation in the matter.

Travelling on Roofs of Railway Compartments

288. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of persons killed and injured during the last two years while travelling over roof of the railway compartments zone-wise;

(b) the details of steps taken by Government to check this travelling over roof of the trains; and

(c) what is the number of persons arrested and convicted on this account during the last two years, zone-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (c) A statement is attached. (*See* below)

(b) The following measures are taken to prevent and discourage travelling on roofs of the trains:-

(i) Notices and posters are exhibited at station premises and announcements made through public address system at important Railway stations highlighting the dangers of roof travelling;

(ii) Ticket checking staff are instructed to prevent passengers from travelling on roofs and make them get down before the departure of trains;

(iii) Raids and checks are conducted with the help of RPF/GRP to prevent roof travelling and offenders are prosecuted;

(iv) Capacity is augmented to the extent possible by providing additional coaches or by running additional trains when there is extra demand for accommodation on trains during festivals etc.

Statement

Railway	1986				1987			
	Killed	Injured	Arrested	Convicted	Killed	Injured	Arrested	Convicted
Central	—	—	61	61	—	—	61	61
Eastern	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—
Northern	3	4	—	—	1	13	—	—
N.E.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
N.F.	—	—	1991	17	—	—	1207	4
Southern	—	—	30	26	—	1	5	1
S.C.	—	—	624	83	—	—	729	61
S.E.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Western	—	—	463	—	—	1	136	—
TOTAL :	3	4	3169	187	2	18	2138	127